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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bryan L. Reidenbach

Serial No: 09/325,296

Examiner: Nathan J. Newhouse

Filed: June 3, 1999

Art Unit: 3727

For: TAMPER-RESISTANT BOTTLE CLOSURE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT "A"

In response to the office action of January 6, 2000, please amend the above captioned application as follows:

In the Claims:

Sub.c' > 1. (Once Amended) A tamper-resistant bottle closure adapted to be carried on a container having a stopping ledge, said closure comprising:

a cap;

a breakaway skirt having an outer skirt and at least a first inner skirt inwardly disposed to said outer skirt; [and]

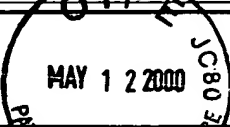
a plurality of frangible links extending between said cap and said outer skirt;

a wing disposed on said at least first inner skirt, said wing adapted to lie adjacent the stopping ledge such that said wing at least partially surrounds the stopping ledge, in which said at least first inner skirt is attached to said outer skirt at a location distal said frangible links; and

a second skirt inwardly disposed to said outer skirt, said second inner skirt having

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Invention: **TAMPER-RESISTANT BOTTLE CLOSURE**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a combined amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of January 6, 2000 in the above-identified application.

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The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

- ☒ One month
☐ Two months
☐ Three months
☐ Four months
☐ Five months

from: April 6, 2000 until: May 6, 2000
Date *Date*

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

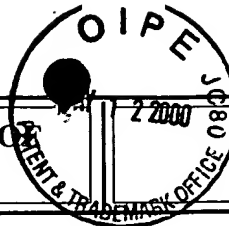
- ☐ is enclosed.
☒ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	15 -	20 =	0	x \$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4 -	3 =	1	x \$39.00	\$39.00
FEE FOR AMENDMENT					\$39.00
FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME					\$55.00
TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME					\$94.00

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The fee for the amendment and extension of time is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$94.00 for the amendment and extension of time is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$94.00
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- ☐ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
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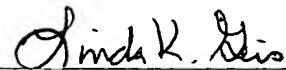
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